ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES FOR NCA PROJECT PARTICIPATING PARTIES

Round Table members

- To provide BPA with individual insights and perspectives on key questions raised by the non-construction initiative and any pilot projects initiated as part of the NCA project.
- To provide a forum of identifying and responding to key issues associated with nonconstruction alternatives to current transmission planning including institutional issues that go beyond BPA.
- To provide insights from a broad stakeholder base to ensure that BPA's transmission planning process is balanced.
- To provide BPA with input on expanding consideration of non-construction alternatives into BPA's regional transmission planning process.
- To build a broad base of region-wide understanding for the overall goals and results of this initiative including defining effective methods of disseminating the results of this initiative to regional utilities and other key parties.
- To help build regional confidence and acceptance for a new approach to transmission planning.
- To use any clear outcomes from this effort to update other regional planning processes.

Facilitator

- Work with round table members and BPA to develop and circulate an agenda for round table meetings prior to each meeting.
- Facilitate round table meetings.
- Work with BPA staff to develop a summary of each meeting, and circulate to members for review and comment.
- Work to resolve any issues brought to the attention of the facilitator that are compromising the effectiveness of the round table meetings.
- Assist BPA co-chairs to collect ideas from round table members and work with the BPA cochairs to integrate these ideas into BPA's transmission planning review in an organized and balanced manner.

BPA Project Team

- Provide relevant background information to round table members, for their review and consideration, in advance of each meeting.
- Seek input from round table members on the tasks and activities identified in "BPA Transmission Business Line FY 2003 Non-Construction Alternatives Targets."
- Using input from the round table members, review and modify where appropriate, BPA's current transmission planning process.
- Coordinate all communication on round table activities to internal and external audiences.
- Provide all logistics support to the round table as necessary.

BPA Chair and Co-Chair

- Chair round table meetings and oversee action items and timelines.
- Work with the facilitator, staff and round table members to coordinate agenda items.
- Work with round table members to address issues and concerns as they arise in the round table deliberations.
- Serve as the channel of communication between the round table members and BPA managers responsible for making decisions related to the NCA project.